



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant: Kazuo Nishiyama

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Examiner: Lourdes C. Cruz

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Customer No.: 33448

**AMENDMENT B**

Mail Stop Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The time to respond is thus extended to November 19, 2004. Applicant has included a check in the amount of \$980 as payment of the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

In response to the Office Action of May 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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